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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 10, 2007

Mr. Conrad (for himself and Mr. Kyl) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Leasehold Improve-
- 5 ment Depreciation Act of 2007".

| 1 | SEC. 2. PERMANENT EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF |
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| 2 | DEPRECIATION RULES RELATING TO CER- |
| 3 | TAIN LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS. |
| 4 | (a) Permanent Extension.—Section |
| 5 | 168(e)(3)(E)(iv) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 |
| 6 | (defining 15-year property) is amended by striking |
| 7 | "placed in service before January 1, 2008". |
| 8 | (b) Depreciation Rules for Certain Lease- |
| 9 | HOLD IMPROVEMENTS FOR PURPOSES OF EARNINGS AND |
| 10 | Profits.—Paragraph (3) of section 312(k) of such Code |
| 11 | (relating to exception for tangible property) is amended |
| 12 | by adding at the end the following new subparagraph: |
| 13 | "(C) Treatment of qualified lease- |
| 14 | HOLD IMPROVEMENT PROPERTY.—In the case |
| 15 | of any qualified leasehold improvement property |
| 16 | (within the meaning of section 168(e)(6)), the |
| 17 | adjustment to earnings and profits for deprecia- |
| 18 | tion for any taxable year shall be determined |
| 19 | under the alternative depreciation method |
| 20 | (within the meaning of section $168(g)(2)$), ex- |
| 21 | cept that the recovery period shall be 15 |
| 22 | years.". |
| 23 | (c) Conforming Amendment.—Subparagraph (A) |
| 24 | of section 312(k)(3) of such Code is amended by striking |
| 25 | "subparagraph (B)," and inserting "subparagraphs (B) |
| 26 | and (C),". |

- 1 (d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 2 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after

3 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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